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## ..TEN PAGES TODAY...

A WARNING.

of The Post-

#### THE REASON THAT CONTROLS.

stop the South African war "unless joint- resolution to the end that it be suply invited by Great Britain and the pressed and investigation escaped?

This is a most extraordinary position.

National history that provide abundant stitutional eath for its every official act. pointed. He never said a word about Reprecedent for an uninvited tender of Irlendly services:

without being asked to do so.

States seemed about to go to war, Great ance of such a course must convince this Britain made friendly representations to public that it has no rights which this With Jerry Simpson aspiring to senatorial publicans of this country are split, and the south countries without any intimation gang of political freebooters is inclined hences. Many Yellen Lease tecturing on Haynes faction has called another country applitualism. Bree Sheldon remains an ultra

North and the South.

Commenting on the president's disinthority for a proffer to mediate a peace In the absence of solicitation from either party to the South African coufflet, the World says: The treaty of The Hague, which the senate

this is the treaty of The Hague, which the senate this has four railfied, expressly makes the voluntation unsheary offer of friendly services the right of prophy of the treaty powers "even during the course of hostifities." President Kruger has the course of hostifities." President Kruger has the course of hostifities." President Kruger has the course of hostifities. "Great Britain has not officially said larghant such an offer would not be acceptable of ch waiting to be asked Mr. McKinley is similarly agreesien makes it unpleasant for came it discharge.

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that the mause by which official Washington quiescent and un-American flunkey that ponderane rolled in resisting an almost uni- has ever represented this country in a claims) y demand in America that this gov-Gaent intervene to stop the South Af-Spanian war.

## THE ADMINISTRATION ON TRIAL.

The Hay-Pauncefote treaty puts the administration as severely on trial as did the peace treaty which barely escaped rejection. There is, however, no such necessity for the ratification of the Hayapproval of the action of the peace com-

The Hay-Pauncefote transaction is incidentally a confession of secret alliance with Great Britain, and its rejection would constitute a distinct reverse to Secretary Hay. Moreover it is emphatically an administration measure and, except it be whipped through by the free use of the presidential and cabinet lash, it is quite likely to fall by the wayside.

We are informed from Washington that aiready more than one-half the senutors have been seen by the president, or some Hay-Pauncefote treaty rests the administration's supreme opportunity to seep faith in the matter of its conspiraion's with Great Britain?

There was a time in the history of this Republic when its chief executive and his | the treaty. official family were not supposed to carry party into the deliberations of the Naional senate as a ward politician carries hts petry partisanship into local primaries. but that time, unhappily for the country,

It is difficult to determine which is the

uttenboling senators to support, on purely partisan grounds, a treaty that puts into open effect a secret alliance, already evidently in existence, or that of senators yielding to their importunities while deouncing this same treaty as involving a surrender of our rights to Great Britain. If this treaty is to be ratified merely to enable the president and his cabinet to carry out a prior contract with a foreign power, which involves a surrender of American right and dignity, it is far better that the construction of the canal be abandoned until the people, aroused to the enormity of this monstrous propesition, shall place in control of the National government an administration not so embarrassed and handicapped.

There is but one question of which senators should feel called upon to dispote, when the Hay-Pauncefote treaty shall come before them for final action. and that is whether it revives and perpetuates the Clayton-Bulwer treaty by rights of fortification and control. If it does, it should go to eternal sleep in the senatorial waste basket or be so amended as to preserve these rights beyond perad-Venture of question, now or hereafter.

#### INVESTIGATION IS NOT DESIRED.

The Post yesterday editorialized upon he importance and necessity of a conter, in which he has emphatically declared HOES 'ON, SATURDAY, FEB. 17, 1900. that the British censor at Durban stopped and examined his official mail. A resolution of inquiry is now before congress. Of this resolution Congressman Dinamore of Arkansas, who has had consular experience as minister to Cores, says it is Some unknown man has lately been im- well timed and perthently presents the personating Mr. J. K. Grist and Mr. B. gint of the entire matter in the declara-B. Throop, The Post's traveling agents, tions that "if the statements contained and attempting to collect subscriptions for in ex-Consul Macrum's autouncement be The Post. So far as heard from, his true, Great Britain has offered a grave the hollyhock should receive attention from a new formal file admitted that Mr. Gossett will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be that British interests were being represented by the United States' foundly prove their identity, and it would be well in paying money to strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove their identity, and the would be well in paying money to strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove their identity, and the would be well in paying money to strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove their identity, and the would be well in paying money to strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove the interest of the strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove the interest of the strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove the interest of the strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove the interest of the strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove their identity, and the would be well in paying money to strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove their identity, and it would be well in paying money to strangers to charges are not true, however, he has officially prove their identity, and it is admitted that Mr. Gossett will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be certain of three counties. Raufman, but the strangers to be a true with the strangers to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigorous race. He is said to be a true will make a very vigoro tion as to the person mentioned above will and the state department should lose no background. be duly appreciated by the management time in making a public denial of the whargest.

Now, will the friends of the administration, accepting the position of the 200s, and now a cigar firm in the Corsican Mr. McKinley has announced that this state department that Macrom's declaragovernment will not tender its offices to tions are unworthy of notice, oppose this

Resolutions to investigate, in matters of Who ever heard of two Nations at war heretofore been slain by an administra-'jointly inviting another Nation to medi- tion that has steadily refused, since the ate a peace," pertinently asks the New policy of imperialism was born, to take the public into its confidence, although re-There are three distinct instances in our sponsible to that public under its con-

official conspirators in their methods of banks-of-the-Wabash. In 1812 Russia tendered her good offices imperialism, sought in advance of their tiousten congratulates a number of Texas to the United States and Great Britain employment, the advice and counsel of cities on their recent industrial movements. the American public. It is not expected and invites all of them to keep their eyes In 1836, when France and the United that they will do so now, but a continu- on Houston for the next year or two for States seemed about to go to war. Great ance of such a course must convince this semething really worth while Britain made friendly representations to public that it has no rights which this. With Jerry Simpson aspiring to senatorial

In 1861 France, and shortly afterward the absurdity and horror of a Philippine ming in Luzon, it is in order to again pro-Russia, made friendly representations and war that statesmanship, courage and National integrity would have prevented, and have kept the methods by which it was clination to find in these precedents au- it was undertaken under lock and k y. their authorized representatives to know something about the whole infamous transaction.

disparitythe concluding sentence of this ex- ism and overlooked no opportunity to enter for ribial coccanut. The presidential both might run neck and neck the race "criminal aggression" that has of empire by conquest of arms. Colonial his Republic in the road of empire Secretary Chamberlain has said so and The latteNational sympathy with the in- Ambassador Choate has dawdled, meantables from mpulse of Great Britain, is the while, in the court of St. James, the most foreign court.

They have brought forth the Hay-Pauncefote treaty framed to British order and under which the Nicaragua canal. when constructed by the United States at tremendous cost, would come practically within the domination of Great Britain.

Restrained by their designs in the Philippines, they delayed the ratification of The Hague peace treaty and stood indif-Pauncefote agreement as existed for the ferently aside while their obvious ally engaged in an unjust war to destroy the brave republics of South Africa.

Will they meet the issue that is now presented by the charges of ex-Consul the sup-Macrum; or will they once again say to the American public that it is without authority to interfere with the imperial

In 1882 Secretary Fredinghuysen declared the Clayton-Bulwer treaty had been abrogated by Great Britalp in the colonization of British Honduras, and that the treaty re-ferred specifically to a canal then in con-which its rallroad may extend when the member of his cabinet, in the interest of ferred specifically to a canal then in con- which the Hay-Pauncefole treaty. Why? Is it templation and not to any cannot that might land does not lie in the county in which because in this ratification of the be built at some indefinite time in the full is brought? ture. In 1884 Secretary Frelinghussen negotiated a treaty with Nicaragua providing for vexed question of when crops are a parthe sequirement of sovereignty by the United States over the proposed routs and the fortification and defence of the canal by the United States. President Cleveland withdrow

> The Macrum mystery has been broken and the MusHanus trust hage't found any crumbs of comfort therefrom

An imperialistic Hoosier recently made a rier to the department at Washington on rulations from which we quote the following to the department at Washington on rulations from delivery of mail for Hillsbore. It in the Declaration of Independence wheth man nore reprehensible spectacle of the two: fulse, and that was where it said. All men carriers would be required to cover.

pation proclamation, gave birth to new lib Then it was that the lie that was instated within the Declaration of Independence was obliterated." These imperialistic speakers should brash up their copies of th Declaration of Independence and read it prior to getting up on a public slatform and ex hibiting their ignorance. The instrument mentioned does not say that all men are created "free." It says all men are created "equal." The supporters of the MacHanna administration should blue pencil their lectures. As at present delivered they bristle with a false premise and a non sequiter is every paragraph.

"Bobs" is in the Transvani all right, but e don't seem to bob up seronely very often.

congress said "The policy of this country is circles, applied to conditions existing in virtually a next of the cirtually a part of the coast line of the United States. Its relations to our power and prosperity as a Nation, to our means of defense, our unity, peace and safety, are its government constitutional. matters of paramount concern to the people taking away from this government the of the United States. It is the right and duty of the United States to assert and maintain such supervision and authority over an oceanic canal across the isthmus as will protect our National interests."

Things seem to be getting tamed down to Kentucky. The colonels are now said to be wearing only one piatel per capits.

In 1881 Mr. Blaine in a note to Minister Lowell declared that any isthmian canal And yet I am not unmindful of the comgressional resolution of inquiry, calling States, and that the passage through it of blundering has imposed upon our governexplanation of refutation of the charges no more admissible than would the passage rescuted in ex-Consul Macrum's open let- of the armed forces of a hostile nation over of the armed forces of a notice of the Atlantic and the railway lines joining the Atlantic and men everywhere, and the basic principles of our constitutional government.

Expression furtious would have to be content. "I am opposed to an increase in the with a guarantee of neutrality that the United standing army. States intended to give

The latest from Buller is that he continues to catch the Tuxela river, like the Senegambian did the consequent, ban did the consequent, ban did the consequent legitimate expansion of commerce that would follow. I am opnosed to the consequent legitimate expansion of commerce that would follow. I am opnosed to the consequent legitimate expansion of commerce that would follow. The latest from Buller is that he continues

A Kentucky poet came near getting lynched hollybook. The intellectual colonel in old Krntucky, sah, can't understand, sah, why field of operation has been on the South- indignity to a neutral power and it is the hellshock should receive attention from ere Pacific ratiway. All or The Post's altogether remarkable in view of the fact a neet when there are so many tovities mint

aiways require this proof. Any informa- fered a grievous affront to Great Britain with Governor Rossevelt the power in the

Congratulations to Captain James Garitty

of Corsicanal He has long been known as

one of Texas' most gental and generous citicity has named a cigar for him, thus his fame in sure and certain, if indeed, it does ; not go up in smoke The Russian bear has begun to walk about

little, these days. Great Britain however, just as grave importance as this, have interfere with the perigrinations of the Rusa too much preoccupied in South Africa to slan bear, just now A Bosten correspondent has been in Wakh. logion some time speculating on the great

column of gossip we were dismally disar-At no time has Mr. McKinley and his generation Beveridge who was bred on-the-

men around the caritol. After reading his

They have plunged the country into all religious daily and Fred Funston still a swim.

After all it appears that Taylor would be willing to quit Frankfort on a guarantee than be could draw the salary of governor. The

Chicago claims its water, which is sent to St. Louis via the new drainage canal, is all right, and says St. Louis has no kick comder foot and held Puerco Rico to be a water! Chicago don't know what it's talk- had to

cabled to London from South Africa the Originale here.

## A QUESTION OF VENUE.

Questions Certified in a Case Where Jurisdiction is Involved.

court of civil appeals, First supreme judicial district, at Galveston, has certified the following questions to the supreme

of the grass growing upon 125 two men, all of whom belonging to the plaintiff, which plaintiff contracted averred to be worth \$4 no acre, to-will \$500. Defendant rational extended through to the venue of the suit was austained by below, and it was dirmissed.

fire negligently not out by a railroad company "damages" (> ) authors of a National destiny conceived in within the meaning of section 14, article greed and nurtured in decept? question depend upon the measure of damages claimed in the petition as for the calue of the grass instead of the injury

to the soil?

For a learned discussion of the much of the realty see the case or Bagley Columbus Sauthern Rallway Company, as Ga., 626 (25 S. R. 638). The account question pertified an account of the dietum in Rallway vs. Horne, 69 Texas, 648.

Ruenl Free Delivery in Hill County. Hillsboro, Trass, February 16. - Impes ter Olsen, completed the survey of extries rester today and reported ravorably presents any danger of contagion from it There was one thing free delivery of mail for Hillshore. It independence which was covern a radius of nine milita which five

ANNOUNCES FOR CONGRESS IN THE SIXTH TEXAS DISTRICT.

His Declaration of Principles Fully Indorses the Chicago Platform. Opposes a Standing Army.

Dallas, Texas, February 16 .- Hon. M. H. Gossett of Kaufman has formally ansounced his candidacy for congress to succed Congressman R. E. Burke.

In a letter declaring his intention of becoming a candidate for cougress in the Sixth district, Mr. Gossett says:

"I believe the Chicago platform is a and declaration of democratic prin-1836. Though not always a unit, and sometimes betrayed by those claiming to represent it, the democratic party must control the destiny of this country so long as there is equality before the law, and the democratic party mu t As new questions arise, as new issues have arisen, the democratic party will find and advocate solutions, consistent with the public weal and the rights of the people under

"The course of the republican party in dealing with the late Spanish postessions is characterized by bad faith both with them and us. It is the evident purpose to subjugate a people aspiring to be free, and to forcibly annex the Philippine islands. This islands. This, in my judgment, is a National blunder scarcely less than a crime as it is, and not as it ought to have been in the treatment of existing problems, i am opposed to an increase in the

upon our volunteers to fight just wars. sed to that commercial expansion which

comes through fire, sword and conquest.
"It devolves upon the democratic party
to destroy trusts, which now unjustly to destroy trusts, which now unjustly prey upon the public and which, if unre-strained, will crush individual enterprise."

### Cass County Democrats.

Atlanta, Texas, February 13 .- The democratic executive committee of Cass county met in Linden, the county seat, yester day and filled all vacancies in cald com-mittee, and elected M. M. Muraby examy chairman. The committee ordered next brimary conventions for first Saturisy in Saturday in June, and invited all who will to participate in the primary beat meet-

#### TEXAS POLITICAL NOTES.

Cleburne, Texas, February 15,-L. M. Morgan from Johnson and Ellis counties. enorted interviewed him and he said that he was for Bailey for senator.

Cleburne, Texas, February 15.-The republican county convention, which met in Cleburna vesterday, endorsed the admin-istration of President McKinley, and en-dorsed E. H. R. Green for National colo-mitteeman and delegate-at-large.

Bryan, Texas, February 16 .- As a result gates to the Waco convention on Marca 5

## SMALLPOX.

Explanation from Huntsville, Hunisville, Texas, February 16 .- Rela-

tive to the notice in today's Post from nerquisites of office doth verily constitute the Bryan The Post correspondent would say despite the demands of the people through republicans' ruling passion, even unto death, the exact truth was stated in the original report and there was no thought of injuring Bryan in a commercial or other way. Huntsville has no cause to resort ing. St. Louis has no kick coming on to such methods. The party necessarily contract the disease and as he had been to Bryan the statement was made to show he had be a Notwithstanding the distressing war news of town and that the sicksens did not

to the route the party took in going to and from Bryan or where he contracted the disease The Post correspondent is prepared to state.

However, the patient is getting along so well the incident may be said to be practically closed and it is hoped the corespondent will soon be able to announce like our aister city Bryan that Hunts Galvesion, Texas, February 16.—The being the only case here in many years. smallpox, this

## No Cases in Cass County.

Allanta, Texas, February 15.-The court in the case of John T. Knight, ap. smallpox scare in this county seems now of Philadelphia. pellant, vs. Houston and Texas Central to be over. There were only two cases Railway Company, appelles, from Fay. Randolph Phillips, a negro, contracted the discuse in Arkansas and came home John T. Knight, a resident of Fayetie and was taken down. He is now well county, brought suit in the county cour. James Flemming, a white men, contracted of said county against the Houston and the disease in Louislana and came home Texas Central Railroad company for the and died. There were about sixty negroes recovery of damages for the negligent and about twenty whites exposed to the acres of land situated in Les county and and isolated; of all this number not one contracted the disease. The \$500. Defendant ratiroad extended through Dr. V. S. Jeter, county health officer, Fayette county. A plea by the detendant and Dr. Mathewa and Quarantine Officer the court below, and it was dirmissed.

The following questions are certified to and twenty-six days of quarantine, tothe supreme court for its decision:

expense to the county in the two cases
and twenty-six days of quarantine, together with the burning of the house in

> Greenville, Texas, February 16 .- There are no other smallpox cases in this city and in other localities the disease is running its course and will soon have no subjeets. In the Meadow View community mangled to an unrecognizable condition have been in all thirty-one cases la six families, with only four more ex-posures. At Wolfe City there are a our hirty cases and few other exposures.

Kingston only the seven cases are reported, and there are no further developments

are created free and equal. It was a lie until that wonderful document, the emails GOSSETT IS A CANDIDATE. Overton broken out with the smallpox The KITTRELL ON THE TAX BILL to the scene and the negro is now quarantined in an old house about three miles from Overton.

Sprending at Jasper

Jasper, Texas, February 16 .- Smallpox is still spreading, but it don't amount to anything as far as hurting anybody and almost every one is trying to catch it so as to be immune hereafter.

## ALL WERE ADMITTED TO BAIL RESULT OF THE HABEAS CORPUS

HEARING AT BASTROP. Walter Reese and Coleman, Five dered, he said: Thousand Each; Less Reese and Daniels Three Thousand Each.

Bastrop, Texas, February 16.-in the Reese of al. commenced yesterlay, the taking of testimony was continued before Judge Sinks until about 4 o'clock this af- human power could repair. ternoon, when the cases were submitted to the judge without argument. He declare! all the cases to be ballable and left it with the attorneys to agree upon the bonds, which were set as follows: Bonds the burdens laid upon the people is ac-of Walter Reese and Jim Coleman placed tually iscreased, who shall condemn us. at \$5000 each; bords of Less Reese and or call us to account, or say we have at \$5000 each; bonds of Less Reuse and not Tom Daniels at \$3000 each. Each of the prisoners were required to give bond in the sum of \$500 in the case against them of assault with intent to murder Will Cle- pel its ments. It is stated that all the prisoners raise his taxes to \$5 to the Stale county and elsewhere from pr. minest pro- who is saved from paying \$17 for what ple to so their head or give financial kelp he gets now for \$2.80. any amount needed.

Nothing seperational has developed and perfect order has prevailed during the witnesses and friends are here from Col-Will Clements, the man wounded in the double tragenty for which the jour prism ers were held, has recovered from the at first considered serious and is e so lately stood at death's door. the prisoners were attending the trial. few of the witnesses left far their homes this afternoon and the remainder left to-

## BUSINESS MATTERS.

Settlement Approved.

James R. Burnett in bankruptcy matters usry I is a holiday and he can not for that was in the city yesterday and announced that selflement of the Ikelhelmer & Co. and E. D. Garratt claims would be commenced at once by payment of all the creditors claims upon a basis of 40 cents on the dollar for the Garratt claims and on the dollar for the Ikelheimer 20 cents on the dollar for the Ikelheimer have is. The terms of settlement have approved by United States Judge Bryant and there is money on hand to pay the claims

Wharion, Texas, February 16 .- The firm dissolved, Mrs. Inman retiring. The business will in future be conducted. Taylor and Mrs. Neille Mathews,

Partnership Dissolved.

# THE FIRE RECORD.

Business House at Bouham. Bonham, Texas, February 16.—Last resent any of these railroads here, or else-night the business house, together with where, but I make this assertion and chala stock of groceries belonging to A. H. lenge contradiction of its truth that it Tyson of this city, was destroyed by fire, we will arrive at what amount in march Loss \$3000, insured for \$1800. Origin of the railroads have derived from the least

Texarkana, Texas, February 16 .- The residence of Allison Moore on Red river, about six miles from this place, was destroyed by fire last night; loss \$1200; no has entered into all the channels of trade.

Residence Near Texarkana.

about \$2000, partly insured.

FROM THE CAPITAL CITY. Austin, Texas, February 16 .- The secreary of state today filed the charter of

the Walsh Hardware company of Sherman,

Texas. Capital stock \$50,000. The insurance commissioner today saued permits to do business in the State to the following insurance companies: The Royal Fraternal Union of St. Louis, Commonwealth Provident association of Philadelphia, the Ancient Order of Pil

Cotton Seed Sales at Yacogdoches. Nacogdoches, Texas, February 14 .-- The Nacogdoches oil mill has bought up to date date 3600 tons of cotton seed. Three other son bought 500 tone. The average price ment by no opposition to the office of paid up to February I was \$13 per ton; revenue agent, nor by any feeling of untoisl amount paid out, \$57,200. This kindness toward the present incumbent. mills which had buyers here all the sixaging 500 pounds at 8 cents per pount. The local mill has enough seed to run them until May 1, and the product is soid as fast as manufactured.

Inknown Man Killed by a Train. Shepherd, Texas, February 14 .- in un-Is the burning of the grass growing which Floming died, will not exceed \$600. known white man was run over and killed upon any man, not even the governor known white man was run over.

by a freight train about seven miles south ling of an eye, the bill in lines 26 and 27.

The article 5062, converts invisible rights and track to be a man until too near to sto bis train. He was lying in the middle of the track and did not move until the engine was almost on him. He was

> Ruling on Cotton Weighers' Law. Raufman, Texas, February 15,-In the case of W. B. Whitfield vs. Terrell Compress company, Judge Dillard yesterday

catching from a coal oil stove. She fived only a few minutes.

Movement Growing at Becville.

HIS REMARKS IN HOUSE OF REPRE-SENTATIVES YESTERDAY.

He Spoke in Opposition to the Mensure and Moved to Indefinitely Postpone Action Thereon.

Austin, Texas, February 16 .- Hon. N G. Kittrell spoke at length in the house this morning in support of his motion to this morning in support of his motion to of poor men are strugging indefinitely postpone the tax b.ll. Aft r homes for their families 

ed experience of fifty years has been pushed aside as of no value, and a measpushed aside aside as of no value, and a measpushed aside aside as of no value, and a measpushed "By this bill the accumulated and testdespite much that it because it taxes the name and into a law and rigidity and it.e. "Is it because it taxes the name ally enforced, stir a storm that no man or lizon once or twice, while it is artificial three or four time. habeas corpus hearing of the case of in my humble, but honest, judgment, if at all. Recee of al. commenced yesterlay, the enacted into a law and rigidity and it.e. "Is:

"If we say we do not propose to be parties to the pitiful, but harmful, farce of raising values 100 per cent, while we re-duce taxes but 33 1-3 per cent, whireby

t done wisely?
"If the owner of 100 acres of black land now necesses it at \$10 an acre and pays \$3.80 to the State and the school fund and \$6 to the county and we decline to com-pel its rendition at \$20 an acre, and to will readily give bond as offers are in school fund, and \$12 to the county, who from Brenham. Bell county, Lavaes have we injured. Certainly not the man county and elsewhere from prominent pro- who is saved from paying \$17 for what

Have we any assurances that the burdens of county taxes, the real source of extravagance, will be reduced? Why pile up the people's money in the vaults of the county treasuries to tempt the cupidity and extravagance of count officials?

What is there in this bill of 160 pages It is which constitutes its infallibility? Wheredeemed one of the most important witnesses for the State. Although he is oppose it? Is it because it taxes the somewhat thin and pale, to one would suppose from his present appearance that vidual, the corporation raising the tax the corporation raising the tax on all of them, but secupulously and tes-The mother of Walter Reese and say- derly avoids raising the lax of the liquer rai other lady friends and relatives of dealer who is responsible for one-half the A expenses of the State government!

In it because it taxes land to its full value, on watch there is a lien, perbaps, for the total amount of the purchase purchase money, and then taxes to its full value the purchase money note? Is it be muse when a man borrows money on the 31 t of De ember and gives his note, leaving the money in bank to check against to ray a note due on January 1, and because teason pay the note, he must pay money as so much money on hand and the bank must pay also on the note as an as-set, though not a dollar of additional wealth or property has been created, and not a dollar has left the vaults of the

bank or reached the borrower's pocket? "Is it because it piles up two, three and four taxes on railroads, telegraph, telephotes and express companies, as if they were public enemies, instead of being a they are, agencies of progress and de-velopment, and but for which, especially but for the railroads, many members of this house would not be here, because the of Inman & Mathews, millinery, has been fair plains on which they dwell and which are the homes of a prosperous and progressive population would be sill the hunting grounds of the savage and the feeding fields of the bunalo?

"We are told that we have given mit-lions of acres of land to the railroads and consequently they have no right to complain at high taxes. Now, I do not rep derived from the land given them, and then arrive at what they have paid in taxes to the State, county and cities, and at what amount has been add to the wealth of Texas and the saving in time and freight charges to the people, and the amount paid out in wages and salaries to her citizens, which amount it will be found that the debt is alde of Texas and not of the rallroads, Tyler, Texas, February 16.-W. H. Me. "Is it because it taxes every mon from the peddler on fost to the wholesale mer-Bride's cottage and contents were burned chant, for the privilege of making a livmaking any more and in accumulating omething of value, taxes him on his ac cumulations and fixes a penalty on thrift

> "Do you desire this bill because it visits the pensity of a high tax upon him, who invests his capital for the purpose of converting the seed of the South's great staple into valuable and marketable products, thereby returning a richer profit to the farmer and giving employment to honest labor? Is it because it confers upon the State revenue agent in lines 10 to 17, article 5058, powers greater than ata, the Ancient Order of Pil-uston, the Pennsylvania Fire this State, and the proper performance of which would require an official vested with greater wiedom than was ever posseared by any man since the days of Solo mon and which puts at his caprice every officer in this State from the justice the peace to the president of the uni-

and economy?

because I believe in the wisdom and necessity of the office, and would increase its efficiency by Theral appropriation and have personal esteam for the man who now holds it, but I do not believe the power acught to be conferred upon him office, or that they ought to be conferred office, or that they ought to franchises into real cetate? "Is it because, in article 5001, it gives

the commissioners court power to compethe revelation of what amount of money y citizen had to his credit on January of any given year? You may say that the course of the report which preceds the bill it is said it was deemed best not to require the officers of the bank to submit a list of their depositors to the board mit a list of their depositors to the board at Commerce, and it is boned Hunt county at Commerce, and it is boned Hunt county at Commerce, and it is boned Hunt county decided in favor of defendant, that the law that, I ask, Is the difference between in resard to public weigher only applied to commission merchants engaged in the commission to commission the commission that they can compel the bank to show what one depositor has, they can compel the same revolution as to 1000 or 10,000. The content that the law is and engaged in the commissioner court has they can compel the same revolution as to 1000 or 10,000. The content that the law what, I ask, II ask, III ask, II all the power given it, even to the atter-

V. hat the bill exprensly authorized in the exercise of a power just as dengerous as that which it is stated it was deemed A Cuse Near Overton.

Beeville Texas, February 16—The cotbest not to conter and a power that, it
named Arthur Hudson was arrested at meeting of the Business Men's league.

Beeville Texas, February 16—The cotbest not to conter and a power that, it
exercised, would result in financial disturbance and loss and injury to the business interests of the whole people, in-

finitely greater than any lon which may result from the war which may result from the war "I want to see every man a money in bank and yet will on it, compared to the compare

finitely greater than any

or aline.
"Is it because the bill laps upon the building and loss through the medium of which the State d.es not need, and the ention of which out of said compute the manner proposed, can but see calcuble injury to thousands at the cit zens of Texas?

"I have no interest in any of these calcubes and do not appar

of taxation which no legitim can stand? "Is it because it compels a chies swear to his opinion as to the value his property (for it can be but an ion) and yet gives the assersor population." because it compels a cut-

pronquince such oath false and ferrit. The assessor is a constitution for cer, charged with the acclusive duy or vested with the exclusive page of sessing property, which means to me to estimate the value of property for purpose of taxx ton, and any bill at deprives him in any degree of that me and seeks to vest it in the clitter has warrant in the constitution. warrant in the constitution.

"I do not believe any consists
power exists to compel any cines
enake such oath, and the fact that the
in the statutes now a similar rea
ment does not convicte me of eithe
wisdom or constitutionality. If he
of the citizen may be discessible in
useless farce. If it is of the citizen may be disressed it useless farce. If it is to be bindies a conclusive, then the assessor is defined for the constitutional functions. We izen can, or should, he required to me to the value of his property, between the assessor's sworn duty to the assessor's sworn duty to the like assessor to require the cilies swear to the list or rendition he remaind if his property be overvalued by assessor the law has provided a life to which he can expeal, and if it be assessor the law has provided as the state of the can expeal, and if it be assessor the law has provided as the control of the can expeal, and if it is assessor the law has provided as the control of the can expeal, and if it is assessor the can expeal t

so which he can appeal, and if it be use valued the people, through the intribunal, can correct the same error.

"There is not a line in the coastact of Toxas which says property stall inspecsed at its full market rain, taxation be equal and uniform all suraxation be equel and uniform all pur in the same proportion, the continuis obeyed and the people are left from the such values as by legal and continue.

tional methods they may arrive at a are content to accept. "Are you enamoured of this bill b "Are you enamoures of the cause it perpatuates that injusty of a present statute which makes the dense of a board of equalization that an prevents its revision by any tribunal the ever? Under this statute, more was the present that the bean persent. injury and robbery bas been perpetus civilized people living under a w

"In the district court, upstairs, a part ment for a dollar may be rendered again a citizen and the way is open to the downstairs four men, who may but more knowledge of law or of the tion left to them for decision that it have of Hebrew, rot the citizen of dreds of dollars and the citizen of the control of the control of the citizen and violative highest right of wilful wrong and oppression by who are at enmity with every man owns property or wears a clean shift.

SHOTS FIRED FROM AMBIA

F. C. GATES, A PROMINENT IN MER, FATALLY WOUNDED.

Thirteen Negroes Were Strutt Small Shot, but None of This

Wore Seriously Hurl-

Montgomery, Texas, February 16-4of Mr. F. C. Gates has just left remedical aid for his father and three negroes who were shot from ambust night while camping on Cypress to twenty miles from Houston on the Mo gomery road. Mr. Gates has one ere b out and is not expected to live. The groes were all struck by shot, but s hurt seriously. Young Gates states a came to the camp after dark as mained about half an hour. Seen the left about twenty-five shots well from about twenty-five shots well and the seen the seen the seen that from shotguns leaded with small They had had no trouble and Gams know the parties or the cause. Mr. 6 in a prominent planter here and the groes farmers. They had sold calle. Houston and were returning host. party were without arms. After the same ing young Gates drove all night we

COTTON MILL MOVEMENT. Mr. Hargrove Spoke to a Fair la

home and medical aid.

ence at Waco. Waco, Texas, February 16,-B Hargrove of New Orleans, who is terthe State in the interest of the mill movement, spake here tonight fair audience. The weather was to fair audience. The would have selected for many to be out and the attended was not so large as it would have selected by the would have been good, but the had the weather been good, but the est manifested deministrated the lan-the city is ripe for the encourages the movement. The promoters of the posed cotton mill are much shife the interest aroused by Mr. Harron cel certain the project will be a the movement.

o a successful issue. Court at Hempstead. Hempstead, Texas, Februsty ease of Jesse Winters vs Missou as and Texas Rallway, for \$3.00 ges, resulted in a bung jury. The case of P. McCarty vs. Horse Texas Central Rallway, for 13,30 to ages, is on trial. This makes the time this case has been tried.

Prospects for a nine spring the extremely flattering, and merchant all laying in heavy spring and

Mr. Morris Galewsky left for th

York markets last night. Hearing Postponed Nacogdoches, Texas, Peb man Grayson, charged with of John A. Garrison on he s Preventoday for preliminary The case was continued by the next Wednesday on account side at Houston.

A large crowd was at the to witness the trial. Bith side in the case of the best legal to